

REMARKS

Claims 1-122 remain pending in the present application. Claims 20, 21, 41, 43, 45, 68, 69, 71, 73, 79, 81, 83, 113-115, 117, 119 and 121 have been amended. Basis for the amendments can be found throughout the specification, claims and drawings as originally filed.

DISCLOSURE

The disclosure is objected to because of the following informalities: In paragraph [0285], HoO₃ should be Ho₂O₃ and V₂O₆ should be V₂O₅. In paragraph [0350], SrO₃ should be SrCo₃. The specification has been amended to overcome the objection. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

CLAIM OBJECTIONS

Claim 114 is objected to because of informalities. Claim 114 has been amended to overcome the objection. Withdrawal of the objection is respectfully requested.

REJECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claims 41, 43, 45, 69, 71, 73, 79, 81, 83, 113, 115, 117, 119 and 121 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicant regards as the invention. The claims have been amended to overcome the rejection. Reconsideration of the rejection is respectfully requested.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Claims 1-40, 42, 44, 46-68, 70, 72, 74-78, 80, 82, 84-112, 116, 118 and 122 are allowed.

Claim 114 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the objection set forth in this Office Action. Claim 114 has been amended to overcome the objection and is now believed to be allowable.

Claims 41, 43, 45, 69, 71, 73, 79, 81, 83, 113, 115, 117, 119 and 121 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. § 112, 2nd paragraph, set forth in this Office Action. The claims have been amended to overcome the rejection and are now believed to be allowable.

CONCLUSION

It is believed that all of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicants therefore respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and withdraw all presently outstanding rejections. It is believed that a full and complete response has been made to the outstanding Office Action, and as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. Thus, prompt and favorable consideration of this amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted,

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